

1st BRIGADE COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR BIOGRAPHY



COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR JOHN B. JONES

CSM John B. Jones was born in Mount Veron, Illinois on 28 February 1963 and graduated from Mount Vernon Township High School, Mount Vernon, Illinois in 1981. He entered active duty on 14 September 1982 at Fort Bliss, Texas as an Air Defense Artillery Short Range Gunnery Crewman (16R). In July 1985 he reenlisted BEAR Program as a Cavalry Scout (19D) and went to Fort Knox, Kentucky for Advance Individual Training (AIT).

His assignments include Prime Mover Driver and Senior gunner in 3rd Battalion (ABN), 4th Air Defense Artillery, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; Scout Driver with 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry, and Scout Driver, Tow Gunner, Tow Section Sergeant, and Senior Scout Sergeant in 5th Squadron, 9th Cavalry (AIR), 25th Infantry Division (Light), Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; Track Commander and Platoon Sergeant with the 1st Battalion, 509th Infantry (ABN), Joint Readiness Training Center, Little Rock Air Force Base, Little Rock, Arkansas; Field Recruiter and Station Commander with the United States Army Recruiting Battalion, Los Angeles, California; Platoon Sergeant, and First Sergeant in Troop A (Ground), 1st Squadron, 17th Cavalry (AIR); Operations Sergeant with 1st Squadron, 17th Cavalry (AIR), 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina; First Sergeant in Company C, 1st Battalion, 33rd Armor, 2nd Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Washington; First Sergeant with Troop A (Ground), 3rd Squadron, 4th Cavalry (AIR), 25th Infantry Division (Light), Schofield Barracks, Hawaii; First Sergeant Headquarters, Headquarters Company and Operations Sergeant Major for 2nd Battalion, 34th Armor, Brigade Operations Sergeant Major, 1st Brigade, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kansas, CSM for the 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry Regiment, Fort Riley, Kansas and he presently the CSM for the 1st Brigade, 1st Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kansas. CSM Jones has served in every enlisted position from a SOLDIER to CSM.

He is a veteran of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

CSM Jones has attend numerous military schools to include Primary Leadership Development Course, Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course, Advanced Noncommissioned Officer Course, Battle Staff Noncommissioned Officer Course, First Sergeant Course, United States Army Sergeants Major Academy (Class 52), Airborne School, Air Assault School, Ranger School, Rappel Master School, Managing Compliance with OSHA, Aviation Accident Prevention Course, Jump Master School, Military Free Fall Parachutist Course, Pathfinder Course, Army Recruiter Course, and Scout Commanders Certification Course. CSM Jones holds an Associate Degree in Applied Science from Excelsor University.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal (2ND Award), Army Commendation Medal (5TH Award), Army Achievement Medal (8TH Award), Good Conduct Medal (8TH Award), National Defense Service Medal (2ND Award), Korea Defense Service Medal, Noncommissioned Officer Development Ribbon (w/numeral 4), Army Service Ribbon, Over Seas Ribbon (w/Numeral 3), Combat Action Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Air Assault Badge, Military Free Fall Parachutist Badge, Egyptian Parachutist Badge, Recruiter Gold Badge, Driver/Mechanics Badge, Ranger Tab, and he is also a recipient of the Order of Saint George.